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1. AS REPORTED REFTEL, DEPPRIMIN ABDEL MONIM KAISSOUNI, MINECON HAMED EL SAYEH AND TWO ASSOCIATES ARE SCHEDULED FLY WASHINGTON MARCH 1. THEIR PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO CONSULT WITH IMF AND IBRD. HOWEVER, THESE TALKS ARE NOT SCHEDULED BEGIN UNTIL NEXT WEEK.

2. SAYEH ASKED ME TO ALL TODAY TO INDICATE KAISSOUNI'S INTEREST IN MEETING WITH APPROPRIATE USG OFFICIALS ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK; IF THIS COULD BE ARRANGED. IN TELCON WIT KAISSOUNI, HE STATED THAT HIS PRIMARY REASON FOR WANTING SUCH MEETING IS TO THANK USG FOR ITS ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND TO EXPRESS HOPE THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO. KAISSOUNI BELIEVES IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO MEET WITH APPROPRIATE STATE, AID, EX-IM BANK AND TREASURYOFFICIALS. HE DID NOT CITE INDIVIDUALS, BUT SAID HE WILL GRATEFULLY ACCEPT ANY SUGGESTIONS DEPARTMENT MIGHT MAKE. KISSOUNI AND HIS PARTY WILL BE STAYING AT THE MAYFLOWER.
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3. RECOMMENDATIONS:
(A) SINCE KAISSOUNI MET SECRETARY VANCE AT FAHMY'S LUNCEON, PERHAPS THE SECRETARY COULD RECEIVE HIM FOR A BRIEF TALK. KAISSOUNI'S POSITION AS DEPPRIMIN WARRANTS SUCH HIGH LEVEL MEETING.
(B) ALSO SUGGEST MEETING BE ARRANGED WITH

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UNDER SECRETARY COOPER, ACTING AID DIRECTOR MANN, EXIM CHAIRMAN STEPHEN M. DU DRUL, JR. AND PERHAPS APPROPRIATE SENIOR TREASURY OFFICIAL. KAISSOUNI KNOWS EGYPTIAN ECONOMIC SITUATION BETTER THAN ANYONE ELSE AND SHOULD BE ABLE PROVIDE USEFUL COMPREHENSIVE BRIEFING.

4. SUGGEST NEA/EGY ALSO CONSULT WITH GHORBAL ABOUT ABOVE APPOINTMENTS. AMBASSADOR TOLD SAYEH THAT NEA/EGY COUNTRY DIRECTOR NEWBERRY OR ONE OF HIS DEPUTIES WOULD CONTACT KAISSOUNI PARTY AT MAYFLOWER TO INFORM THEM OF APPOINTMENTS.

5. SAYEH ESPECIALLY ANXIOUS TO HAVE ALL CONSULTATIONS AT EXECUTIVE BRANCH COMPLETED BY END OF THIS WEEK, SINCE ISRAELI PRIMIN RABIN SCHEDULED BE IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK AND KAISSOUNI PARTY DID NOT WISH TO BE IN THE WAY. EILTS

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